



The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
Therefore pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out
laborers into His harvest" Luke 10:2

Second Sunday of Advent,
December 9, 2018

Welcome!

For God's glory and by His grace, Harvest Fellowship exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ who are progressively growing in their love of God, their love of people, and their commitment to help others grow as disciples.

If you are visiting with us today, we would love to have a record of your attendance. Please fill in the 'Welcome' card and place it in the offering plate."

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony." Colossians 3:12-14

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

Angels From The Realms Of Glory

James Montgomery, 1816, 1825

Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye who sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth;

**Come and worship, come and worship,
Worship Christ, the newborn King.**

Shepherds in the fields abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with man is now residing,
yonder shines the infant light:

Saints before the altar bending,
watching long in hope and fear,
Suddenly the Lord, descending,
in His temple shall appear;

All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son;
Evermore your voices raising
to th'eternal Three in One:

Advent Reading: Isaiah 9: 2-7
Lighting of Advent Candles.

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Words translated by John M Neale, Music : Veni Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.***

O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them victory o'er the grave.

O come, Thou Dayspring from on high
And cheer us by Thy drawing nigh;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

O come, thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heav'nly home;
Make safe the way that leads on high,
And close the path to misery.

Trinity Hymnal #194.

Christmas Alleluia

Words & music by Chris Tomlin & Jonas Myrin

Alleluia, alleluia
Christ, the Savior of the world
He has come
Alleluia, alleluia
To the Highest name of all
Alleluia

**The heavens roar, the angels sing
All glory to our God and King
O night divine forevermore
Alleluia**

You're the Highest name of all
Alleluia

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Reading of God's Word

Matthew 2:1-12; Philippians 2:1-11

Preaching of the Word

Children aged 4 yrs – 3rd grade may now be dismissed for 'My Father's House'

"The Gifts of Christmas: Self-Forgetfulness" ***Pastor Rich Good***

Uncreated One

Words and music by Chris Tomlin

Holy Uncreated One

Your beauty fills the skies

But the glory of Your majesty

Is the mercy in Your eyes.

And worthy Uncreated One

From heaven to earth come down

You laid aside Your royalty

To wear the sinner's crown.

O Great God, be glorified

Our lives laid down, Yours magnified

O Great God, be lifted high

There is none like You

Jesus, Savior, God's own son,

Risen, reigning Lord

Sustainer of the Universe

By the power of Your word.

And when we see Your matchless face

In speechless awe we'll stand

And there we'll bow with grateful hearts

Unto the Great I Am

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Collection of Tithes & Offerings

"On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside, as he may prosper." 1 Corinthians 16:2

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Words by Charles Wesley, music by Felix Mendelssohn

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King:
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
Hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

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Benediction

Sermon Texts

Matthew 2:1-12 (ESV)

2 Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, **2** saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." **3** When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; **4** and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. **5** They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

6 "And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;

for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

7 Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. **8** And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him."**9** After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. **10** When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. **11** And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. **12** And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Philippians 2:1-11 (ESV)

2 So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, **2** complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. **3** Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. **4** Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. **5** Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, **6** who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, **7** but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. **8** And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. **9** Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, **10** so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, **11** and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.